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#### NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was mostly barely steady to weak. Retail demand was slow to fair with few features present. Food service was fair to fairly good, best into fast food. Supplies were more than sufficient with smaller sizes noted as being in better balanced in some areas. In the parts structure, trading was slow to light. Wings were readily available; dark meat and breast items were at least adequate and frequently discounted to help clear. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .25 to 80.25 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 68.50 cents last year on August 13, 2003.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

	DOCK PRICE
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	249.00
BREASTS - B/S	215.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	124.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	101.50
LEG QUARTERS	33.50
WINGS	116.50

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

**SOUTHERN** Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was mostly light to fair with limited trading; supplies were more than sufficient. In the parts structure, movement was light and unaggressive, with supplies of all items at least adequate or readily available and often discounted. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers remained limited as dealers kept floor stocks balanced. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient, although, the 2.5 pound birds were noted as better balanced. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, boneless-skinless breasts were fully adequate and bone-in breasts were at least sufficient. Dark meat cuts were available. Wings were mostly adequate.

MIDWEST Trade sentiment on whole broiler/fryers continues barely steady to instances weak. Offerings were sufficient with small sized birds in the shortest position. Fill in trade noted; WOGs at 59 cents and boneless skinless breast at \$1.65 into the St. Louis area. Ohio fill in noted with WOGs at 66 cents and boneless skinless leg meat at 70 cents. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate best into fast food. Floor stocks were in a full range, weights desirable to heavier than desired. Trade in the parts sector was slow. Supplies of all items were fully sufficient for immediate needs. The market tone was generally unchanged; cautiously steady on wings, and barely steady with a weak undertone on the balance.

**WESTERN** Trade sentiment was barely steady. Offerings fully adequate to ample. Sized product was in the closest position. Buying activity was fair at best. Buyers' interest in additional product focused on immediate needs. Retailer demand moderate overall best where featured, particularly on parts. Floor stocks at least adequate. Trade sentiment remained mixed on parts with bone-in breast in the strongest position.

#### CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

19 STATES			PERCENT CHANGE
WEEK ENDING 08/0	7/04 <b>2004</b>	<u>2003</u>	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	213,454	206,725	+03
CHICKS PLACED	174,371	170,090	+03

#### **BROILER EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 3 PERCENT**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 7, 2004. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### **CHICKS PLACED UP 3 PERCENT**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 7, 2004. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2003 through August 7, 2004 were 5.51 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 18-Sep-04 is estimated at 159.1 million head. This compares to 159.0 million head the previous week and to 158.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 64.27 cents per pound.

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#### **AUGUST 10, 2004** SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

**AUGUST 11, 2004** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

P	OUNDS			WTD	PO	UNDS			WTD
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	(000)	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	AVG
BREAST - B/S	720	160.00-235.00	167-172	172.63	BREAST - B/S	625	155.00-231.00	162-167	166.45
TENDERLOINS	203	190.00-245.00	195-200	201.60	TENDERLOINS	163	190.00-245.00	195-205	201.90
BREAST - LINE RUN	109	114.00-132.00	115-118	117.50	BREAST - LINE RUN	89	115.00-132.00	115-118	118.22
FRONT HALVES	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		FRONT HALVES	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
LEGS	88	31.00-55.00	35-37	37.05	LEGS	88	32.00-55.00	34-37	36.93
LEG QUARTERS (BUL	K) 351	24.00-30.00	26-27	26.81	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	551	23.00-30.00	26-27	26.30
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,070	26.00-37.00	28-29	27.97	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,020	26.00-34.00	28-29	28.47
WINGS (WHOLE)	284	94.00-112.00	94-96	98.43	WINGS (WHOLE)	284	92.00-112.00	94-98	97.93
WINGS (CUT)	340	114.00-119.00	115-119	116.53	WINGS (CUT)	405	110.00-119.00	115-119	115.93
DRUMSTICKS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		DRUMSTICKS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
B/S THIGHS	102	68.00-128.00	<del>-</del> .	83.88	B/S THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
WHOLE BODY INDEX BAS	********* SED ON S	OUTHERN STATES	PARTS TRAD	************************	- +	*****	******	******	*****
	RANC		ODAY'S AVE		RANGE	TOI	DAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVE	RAGE
	59.50 - 6	64.00	61.48		57.50-62.50		60.01	60.	39

#### NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

Trucklot buying activity remained light and unaggressive as dealers continued to limit product to most immediate needs. Offerings of breast items were available at discounted levels. Dark meat cuts were fully adequate and trading under a soft market tone. Wings were at least sufficient. Retail and distributive draw was seasonally slow. The market tone was barely steady.

\*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES AUGUST 10 2004 AUGUST 11 2004

QUANTITIES. AUGUST 10, 2004	<b>CURRENT NEG</b>	WTD		AUGUST 11, 2004	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	190	185.90	562,447	BREAST - B/S	185-190	191.71	515,051
TENDERLOINS	210-215	211.87	89,240	TENDERLOINS	210	211.94	143,730
BREAST - WITH RIBS	111-112	118.87	98,400	BREAST - WITH RIBS	111-112	118.10	127,440
BREAST - LINE RUN	111	113.59	230,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	111	114.37	158,640
LEGS	48-49	43.95	178,825	LEGS	48-49	43.68	264,841
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32-33	32.61	510,280	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32-33	33.08	283,889
DRUMSTICKS	36-37	39.89	199,140	DRUMSTICKS	36-37	45.44	93,280
THIGHS	35-36	46.22	123,210	THIGHS	34-35	45.81	83,720
B/S THIGHS	92-93	86.17	109,760	B/S THIGHS	89-90	91.10	45,040
WINGS (WHOLE)	100-101	108.30	87,460	WINGS (WHOLE)	100-101	110.36	107,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPE	D) 10-12	11.93	35,960	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED	0) 10-12	11.78	35,000
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	25.02	15,080	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	26.35	18,520
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	58.81	26,880	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	59.81	25,840
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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (LA AREA) PROCESSED POLILTRY

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)** 

<sup>\*\*</sup> WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SEASOTTER OF BROILERS RIVERS (IN THOSSANDS)								SOUTHERN CALIFOR	<u>NIA (L.A. AKEA) PRI</u>	JCESSED POULTK	<u>T</u>	
AVG AVG							<b>DELIVERED TO RETAIL</b>	<u>LERS</u>	RANGE			
	<u>ESTIN</u>	<u>IATED</u>	AC1	ΓUAL	W	<u>ΓS</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>WTS</u>	FRESH FRYERS		97-99	
	(1,000)		(1,000)				(1,000)		ROASTERS 4# & UP		95-107	
	08/11	08/10	08/09	08/06	08/09	08/06	08/04	08/02	HENS UNDER 5#		-	
Alabama	4,058	4,102	4,000	4,318	5.32	5.15	3,927	5.27	HENS OVER 5#		78-83	
Arkansas	5,473	5,492	5,352	5,326	5.21	5.00	5,390	5.15	DUCKS		-	
Delmarva	2,249	2,288	2,282	2,391	5.59	5.52	1,906	5.65	RABBITS-WHOLE		-	
KY-LA-TN	2,003	2,133	1,971	2,034	5.04	4.65	2,053	5.07	RABBITS-CUT UP		-	
Mississipp	oi 2,926	3,077	2,531	3,527	5.57	5.30	2,704	5.45				
N Carolina	a 2,520	2,538	2,453	3,469	6.35	5.85	2,349	6.34	SAN FRANCISCO PRO	CESSED POULTRY	r -	
Texas	2,460	2,485	2,538	3,326	5.13	5.18	2,559	5.15	<b>DELIVERED TO REST</b>	AURANTS AND INST	<u> </u>	
Total	21,689	22,115	21,127	24,391	5.42	5.24	20,888	5.39	FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	107-109	
Mon-Wed	65,064	(A)					63,826	(A)		DRY PACK	116	
									ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	108-109	
(A) Weekly	y cumula	tive for s	states lis	sted abo	ve.					DRY PACK	110	
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Aug-04 is esti-								HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	93		
mated to be 32,449,000 head up 3.52 percent from a week ago and up									DRY PACK	93-95		
2.26 perce	ent from a	a year a	go.						DUCKS		170-185	
(Last weel	k 31,345,	000, las	st year 3	1,732,0	00)							

<sup>\*</sup> TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

<b>ESTIMATED U</b>	J.S. LIVE	POULTRY:	SLAUGHTER
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	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK "
	08/14/04 (1)	08/07/04
CLASS	THOU	JSAND HEAD ———
BRO-FRY	167,828 (2)	164,904
LT HENS	1,433	1,460
<b>HVY HENS</b>	1,506	1,577
CHECK TOTA	AL 170,767	167,941
(1)ESTIMATE	:D	

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Aug-04

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 14-Jul-04 is 165.1 million head compared to 163.7 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 168.2 million head or 3.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 21-Aug-04 the estimated available is 165.5 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-**SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCI	ESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
		<u>LBS</u>	<u>LBS</u>
ΑM	08/09/04	182,053	57,344
AM	08/01/04	197,542	54,909
CHO	3	-15,489	2,435
PCT CHG -8		-8	4
COL	D STORAGE	E MOVEMENT	(IN THOUSANDS)

PROCESSED POULTRY PROCESSED TURKEYS

08/09/04 08/02/04 08/11/03 08/09/04 08/02/04 08/11/03

**PACIFIC** 

COAST 9.332 9.350 15.718 5.521 5.384 7.409 LOS

**ANGELES** 366 385 138 4.302 4.162 2.980

#### CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2004

**RANGE** 68-70 **HENS** ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX) 70-79 VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)

#### **HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES** FOR 08/10/04

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.55	.75	.62	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	.80	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	2.00	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	1.25	1.50	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.25	2.00	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	6.25	6.50	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-		BUNNIES ea.	.50	1.00	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-		ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-		GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	.90		DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.70	1.35		RABBITS ea.	2.00	3.25	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.75	5.00	-
GUINEA FOWL I	o	-		GUINEA FOWL ea		-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	2.75	3.00	-
GUINEA KEETS	ea	-		CALL DUCKS ea		5.75	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-		GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea	. 3.00	4.50	-	TURKEY POULTS	S ea	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS 5	8						

### **MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City**

Cents per pound for the week ending August 6, 2004							
	Whole		Legs	Necks, Bac	ks Livers/		
<u>(</u>	Chickens	<b>Breasts</b>	W/ Thighs	& Wings	<b>Gizzards</b>	<u>Hens</u>	
RAYO	V						
Low	69.27	127.39	87.58	15.92	15.92	43.79	
High	70.07	131.37	91.56	19.90	19.90	43.79	
Mostly	69.27	131.37	87.58	15.92	19.90	43.79	
SAN J	UAN						
Low	69.27	119.43	87.58	11.94	15.92	43.79	
High	70.07	127.39	91.56	19.90	19.90	43.79	
Mostly	69.67	127.39	87.58	15.92	15.92	43.79	
NEW S	SAN JUAI	١					
Low	69.27	127.39	87.58	11.94	15.92	47.77	
High	70.07	131.37	91.56	19.90	19.90	47.77	
Mostly	69.27	127.39	87.58	15.92	15.92	47.77	
BECE	RRA						
Low	69.27	127.39	87.58	15.92	15.92	49.76	
High	70.07	135.35	91.56	19.90	19.90	49.76	
Mostly	69.27	131.37	91.56	15.92	19.90	49.76	

**<u>DELMARVA</u>** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained light to fair, but did reflect some increased buying interest. Seller offerings varied from in generally good balance to fully adequate with spot sales at highly competitive levels. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 70 to 85 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, supplies were fully sufficient for immediate needs. Wings were at least adequate and were held with widely differing views of value.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

**BRANDED** 

U.S. GRADE A
67-91
74.33
7,410

\*7 of 7 plants reporting.

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